

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): A fixing device for an automobile muffler, comprising:
 - two muffler side connecting pins, each fixed at a respective one of two sides of a muffler and aligned approximately parallel to a longitudinal axis of the muffler;
 - two car body side connecting pins aligned approximately parallel to said muffler side connecting pins and fixed at a car body where the distance between said car body side connecting pins is longer than that of said muffler side connecting pins; and
 - two resilient hangers, each comprising:
 - a first insertion hole, into which a respective one of said two muffler side connecting pins is inserted; and
 - a second insertion hole, into which a respective one of said two car body side connecting pins is inserted;
 - wherein said muffler side connecting pins are fixed at the muffler via a cover bracket where said cover bracket is coupled around a connecting part of an exhaust pipe and said muffler;
 - wherein said cover bracket is formed with a vertical flange surface toward the front of the automobile and said muffler side connecting pins are fixed to the vertical flange surface, protruding toward the front of the automobile;
 - wherein said body side connecting pins are coupled underneath the automobile and fixed to a surface of a body side bracket, said bracket positioning said surface in alignment with the vertical flange surface;
 - and wherein an axis connecting said first insertion hole and said second insertion hole defines an angle of about 30 to about 60 degrees with a horizontal axis.
2. (Previously Canceled).
- 3-8. (Canceled).